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North Dakota Department of Health Employees Donate to Great Plains Food Bank

Bismarck, N.D. – North Dakota Department of Health employees recently contributed almost 800 pounds of food and more than \$400 in cash donations to support the efforts of the Great Plains Food Bank.

At the department's annual employee meeting held in December, employees brought food items, cleaning supplies, toiletries and cash donations to be donated to the Great Plains Food Bank. According to the Great Plains Food Bank, every \$50 donation provides 250 meals to those who need it. The Department of Health collected \$445, which will be enough to provide more than 2,200 meals to those in need. That was in addition to the 797 pounds of food and other items collected.

"I am so proud of the generosity shown by North Dakota Department of Health employees," said State Health Officer Dr. Terry Dwelle. "Department of Health employees work every day to enhance the lives of North Dakotans. This is just one more way to do that and a great way to show our spirit of giving."

The Great Plains Food Bank's mission is to end hunger through community partnerships. They are the largest hunger-relief organization in North Dakota and serve as the state's only food bank. Great Plains Food Bank works with community partners including hundreds of food industry donors and charitable feeding programs, and thousands of volunteers and financial supporters.

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